

## WinkWorld March 2004

Welcome to WinkWorld. This month I am sharing (a) story of a teacher who inspired me; (b) [www.dawnwink.com](http://www.dawnwink.com), (c) the CAFE presentations, (d) websites for teachers and families, (e) the latest update on misadventures of ERIC, and (e) Dawn's home schooling story, and a new section, Gleanings from Grammie.

First, we begin with the latest challenge to education. As some of you know, Rod Paige, Secretary of Education, recently referred to the National Association of Education as a "terrorist organization." See <http://www.azcentral.com/news/articles/0223governors-bush23-ON.html>

In response teachers across the nation are writing to him with a simple, direct message, and I am posting mine below.

Rod.Paige@ed.gov  
boxer.senate.gov/contact  
202.224.3553  
feinstein.senate.gov/email.html  
202.224.3841

Dear Secretary Paige,

I am not a terrorist. I have been a teacher for more than 30 years.

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A Teacher Who Inspired Me

Wink, J., & Wink, D. (2004). *Teaching passionately: What's love got to do with it?* Boston, MA: Allyn and Bacon. [Professor Beto:](#)

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Enjoy Dawn's new web pages.  
[www.dawnwink.com](http://www.dawnwink.com)

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California Association of Bilingual Education Presentations - March 4-7, 2004

[www.bilingualeducation.org](http://www.bilingualeducation.org)

Two of the presentations are posted at:

[Joan's Schedule](#)

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Websites for Teachers and Families.

My friends, Brenda Betts and Dan Bratten, have created a great website for teachers.

Brenda Betts, <http://www.csustan.edu/TeacherEd/facstf/betts/bettshp.html>

I particularly like the links Handouts Are Here

<http://www.csustan.edu/TeacherEd/facstf/betts/Handouts.html>

and Sample Thematic Unit <http://www.csustan.edu/TeacherEd/facstf/betts/Handouts.html>

Women in History: Living Vignettes of Women from the Past

<http://www.lkwipl.org/wihohio/index.html>

Educational Quotes for the 21st Century

<http://www.leading-learning.co.nz/famous-quotes.html>

National Staff Development Council

Powerful Words

<http://www.nsd.org/library/words.cfm>

CARLA

Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition

<http://www.carla.umn.edu/conferences/past/index.html>

University of Minnesota

The internet encyclopedia of philosophy (2003)

<http://www.iep.utm.edu/>

Educational Quotes for the 21st Century

<http://www.leading-learning.co.nz/famous-quotes.html>

Electronic Magazine of Multicultural Education

<http://www.eastern.edu/publications/emme/>

Global Pen Pals

[www.kidlink.org](http://www.kidlink.org)

ERIC

The following information is courtesy of AACTE.

In December, the 16 ERIC clearinghouses closed. The 38-year-old system holds over a million reports, studies, hearing transcripts, and other education-related materials. U.S. Department of Education officials decided to close the federally funded clearinghouses in order to revamp and modernize the system they claim had become inefficient. Later this month, officials hope to name the contractor who will replace the old ERIC system with one that is more centralized and will run more like the commercial web-search engines of Yahoo or Google. The new streamlined version will not provide all the offerings that the clearinghouses produced. Until officials get the new clearinghouse up and running, users can access documents via ERIC's central online database at <http://www.eric.ed.gov>. Furthermore, many of the former clearinghouses, have moved some of the information from their archives to other web sites in order to continue servicing their clientele.

Education Week has listed the links to the new sites at

<http://www.edweek.org/ew/ewstory.cfm?slug=18eric-s1.h23>

(Viadero, January 14, 2004).

The Educator's Reference Desk

<http://www.eduref.org/> which also plans to carry the previous resources listed on ERIC.